

Amendments to the claims

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Claims 1-15 (previously canceled)

Claims 16-27 (canceled)

28. (new) A method for use in assembling conductors with a mounting panel, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a cable tie having a head and a tail extending from said head, said tail having a self-bias to a planar condition;

(b) attaching a securement member to said tail using the self-bias of said tail to render said securement member portable with said cable tie;

(c) releasing the biased attachment of said securement member and said tail; and

(d) attaching said securement member and said cable tie to said mounting panel using the self-bias of said tail.

29. (new) The method claimed in claim 28, wherein said step (c) is practiced by folding said tail.

30. The method claimed in claim 28, including the further step, practiced between practice of said steps (c) and (d) of rotating the folded tail into alignment with said securement member such that a portion of said securement member is disposed outwardly of said folded tail.

31. The method claimed in claim 30, wherein said step (d) is practiced by inserting said securement member portion and the folded part of said tail through said mounting panel and rotating said securement member relative to said folded tail from such alignment therewith into orthogonality with the folded tail.

32. (new) In combination:

(a) a cable tie having a head portion and an elongate tail extending from said head portion, said tail having a self-bias to a planar configuration; and

(b) a securement member extending longitudinally with said tail and defining

(1) first and second perimetrically bounded elongate apertures opening along their lengths into first and second opposed sides of said securement member and

(2) a tail support portion longitudinally between said first and second apertures,

said tail being deformed by said securement member from said planar configuration to have an arcuate portion facing said support portion of said securement member, first and second courses of said tail extending from said tail arcuate portion respectively through said first and second apertures and movable out of said first and second apertures, said self-bias of said tail biasing said securement member into engagement with said tail such that said securement member and said tail are attached with one another to be jointly portable.

33. (new) The invention claimed in claim 32, wherein parts of said first and second courses of said tail which are resident in said first and second apertures and movable out of said first and second apertures are movable by rotation of said tail first and second courses about said support portion of said securement member.

34. (new) The invention claimed in claim 33, wherein, upon the movement of said parts of said first and second courses of said tail out of said first and second apertures, said first and second courses of said tail are foldable upon one another and alignable with said securement member.

35. (new) The invention claimed in claim 34, wherein, upon the rotation of said first and second courses of said tail into

alignment with said securement member, said securement member is rotatable relative to said first and second courses of said tail to be disposed perpendicularly to said first and second courses of said tail.

36. (new) An assembly, comprising:

(a) a cable tie having a self-bias to a planar configuration and having a head portion and an elongate tail extending from said head portion; and

(b) a securement member comprising a flat rigid member which defines first and second opposed surfaces,

(1) a first portion defining a first aperture extending transversely through said member into first and second mutually aligned openings in said first and second surfaces,

(2) a second portion continuous with said first portion and being unapertured, and

(3) a third portion continuous with said second portion and defining a second aperture extending transversely through said member into third and fourth mutually aligned openings in said first and second surfaces,

said cable tie tail having an arcuate course in facing relation with said member second portion and first and second courses successive to said arcuate course and disposed respectively in said member first and second apertures, said

self-bias of said cable tie effecting attachment of said cable tie tail to said member and the arcuate formation of said tail arcuate portion,

said cable tie first and second courses being supported for rotation outwardly of said first and second apertures about a fulcrum defined by said member second portion.